

Dear Judiciary Committee,

You must **OPPOSE** [S.B. 16: AN ACT ADDRESSING GUN VIOLENCE AND JUVENILE CRIME](#).

I am writing you today to ask you a question.
Does the punishment fit the crime?
What did we do to deserve this punishment?
What have my children done to have their future rights taken away?
What have future generations done to have their 2nd amendment right taken away bit by bit?

Yes CT has many problems, but semiautomatic riffles are not the problem. The people that buy these guns legally are not criminals. We have a big youth crime problem. This is due you the Democratic policy of not punishing them for crime. Ask any police officer. Now we have organized gangs robing cars and everything else using minors as foot soldiers due to their dumb policy. If they get arrested they're out the next day and they all have a good laugh, then go do the same crimes. Laws like this are what is making CT a unsafe place to live, not the semiautomatic riffle in the law abiding citizens safe.

The last murder in my town was a double homicide. The weapon was not an assault riffle or even a gun. It was a car. An illegal immigrant ran down an elderly couple in a crosswalk going to a funeral. Should we ban cars to prevent this from happening again?
Or should we ban illegal immigrants?

My family has lived in CT for over 100 years. It is a beautiful place. I hate to say it but after all this time I'm thinking about relocating to a free state due to all these woke policies CT is instituting.

The law abiding gun community are proud, strong Americans that follow the laws. The crime you seek to prevent is done by criminals that do not care about or follow our laws. Therefore this proposal would not prevent crime, only punish all of us now, and future generations that have done nothing wrong.

I am a proud American. I am proud of the all Americans that fought to keep this land free. Especially my grandfather who fought in WW2 to protect us and our freedoms.

Dictator Lamont wants to change this state and America to be a monarchy where he makes all the rules. We do not want this.

This is America the land of the free!
Right?

I hope that the Judiciary Committee will do what is right and oppose this bill.

In addition, I also **OPPOSE** H.B. No. 5416 – AN ACT CONCERNING BULK PURCHASES OF PISTOLS AND REVOLVERS.

I **SUPPORT** Raised S.B. No. 388 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE DEFENSE OF A PERSON OR A PERSON'S DWELLING, PLACE OF WORK OR MOTOR VEHICLE.

I **SUPPORT** Raised H.B. No. 5415 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF ASSAULT WEAPONS AND LARGE CAPACITY MAGAZINES.

I **SUPPORT** Raised H.B. No. 5412 – AN ACT CONCERNING THE DUTY TO RETREAT IN A RELIGIOUS HOUSE OF WORSHIP.

Thank you for your time

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